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Examiner: **T. Strzelecka**

Group Art Unit No.: **1656**

Applicant(s): **Maes et al.**

Filing date: **May 24, 2000**

Serial No.: **09/578,361**

For (title): **METHOD OF PARALLEL SCREENING FOR  
INSERTION MUTANTS AND A KIT TO  
PERFORM THIS METHOD**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time is requested as marked below:

**ACTION FOR WHICH EXTENSION IS REQUESTED**

- ☒ Response to non-final office action mailed **December 6, 2000**.  
(timely and complete response not previously filed).
- ☐ Response to final office action mailed  
(application not placed in a condition for allowance by a previous timely filed response).
- ☐ Filing of Appellant's brief, notice of appeal dated .
- ☐ Filing of a continuing application having an express abandonment of this application conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.

**EXTENSION REQUEST PERIOD AND FEE CALCULATION**

- ☒ The period for taking the above-identified action without extension fees expired on **March 6, 2001**.
- ☐ The period for taking the above-identified action has previously been extended (by the payment of the appropriate extension fee) to

The requested extension period (and associated fee) is:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month<br>§ 1.17(a) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 55.00 - small entity* |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 110.00                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months<br>§ 1.17(b)           | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 195.00 - small entity*           |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 390.00                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months<br>§ 1.17(c)         | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 445.00 - small entity*           |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 890.00                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months<br>§ 1.17(d)          | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 695.00 - small entity*           |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 1,390.00                         |

Comments:

- ☒ \*Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ \*A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 which may be due should be charged to deposit account no. 20-1469. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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